

ORNITHOLOGICAL NEWS

On 14 December 1962 Dr. Roger Tory Peterson, currently First Vice-President of the WOS, received an Honorary D. Sc. from Ohio State University (Columbus, Ohio). The citation describes Dr. Peterson as a "conservationist and student of nature whose dedication, observation and artistry have enriched the lives of men by opening to the world the joys of an informed appreciation of birds and other wildlife." The citation then lists his awards and books, and closes: "Largely because of this man, the study of nature has become the pursuit and hobby of millions of persons in many countries. His distinguished work has been a major force in bringing diverse peoples more closely together in mutual appreciation of nature and of each other."

The National Science Foundation announces that the next closing date for receipt of basic research proposals in the life sciences is 15 September 1963. Proposals received prior to that date will be reviewed at the fall meeting of the Foundation's advisory panels, and disposition will be made approximately four months following the closing date. Proposals received after the 15 September 1963 deadline will be reviewed following the winter closing date of 15 January 1964.

The next closing date for receipt of proposals for renovation and construction of graduate-level research facilities is 1 December 1963.

Inquiries should be addressed to the National Science Foundation, Washington 25, D.C.

The Forty-fifth Annual Meeting of the Wilson Ornithological Society will be held at Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo, Michigan, from 30 April to 3 May 1964.

NEW LIFE MEMBER



Thomas R. Howell, of Los Angeles, California, an active member of the Wilson Ornithological Society since 1947, is now a Life Member. He received his B.S. degree from Louisiana State University and his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of California at Berkeley. Dr. Howell, an Associate Professor of Zoology at the University of California, is interested in avian taxonomy and distribution (of birds of Nicaragua, at present), behavior, and physiological ecology.

Most of Dr. Howell's papers have appeared in *The Condor*, but some were published in *The Auk*, *The Wilson Bulletin*, and *The Ibis*. He is currently President of the Board of Governors of the Cooper Ornithological Society, a Fellow of the AOU, a member of the Council of the AOU, and a member of the BOU and of the Deutschen Ornithologen-Gesellschaft.